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Dear Mr. Caton:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(a)(1) of the Commission's rules, this letter, in duplicate, is to notify the Commission that representatives of PCS Development Corporation ("PCSD") made an oral <u>ex parte</u> presentation to the following persons: Jackie Chorney, Rudy Baca, David Siddall, and Suzanne Toller, in connection with the abovereferenced matter.

Enclosed herewith is a written summary of the matters presented.

Kindly contact the undersigned, should the Commission have any questions in regard to this matter.

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Key Milestones

1996

Successful test of voice messaging technology Secured additional spectrum in major markets Staffing of management team
Secured MOUs with 19 paging companies
Credit facility arranged
Network buildout in top 10 BTAs

1997 and Beyond

Launch commercial operations 50° of coverage of U.S. population Anticipated initial public offering Rollout new services

Status

Completed
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PCSD Position on NPCS Regulatory Environment

- Spectrum Allocation Rules
- Small Business Participation in Upcoming Auction
- "Post Adarand" D.E. Rules



PCSD Supports the Original F.C.C. Proposal for NPCS Spectrum Allocation

- National, Regional, MTA, BTA mix.
- F.C.C. should maintain MTA/BTA's in upcoming NPCS auction.
 - Business plans based on rules.
 - Capital invested.
 - Allows carriers to optimize for individual needs.
 - PCSD intends to acquire additional spectrum capacity where needed.
 - Larger geographic licenses serve as barrier to entry.
 - F.C.C. auctions raise more net revenue with smaller geographic areas. (e.g. Broadband, A & B vs. C, Narrowband, National vs. Regional.)
- All public comment on this topic support PCSD's position.



The F.C.C. Should Increase Small Business Participation by Allowing Preferences to Apply to All Licenses in NPCS Auction

- Bid credits were worthless in required NPCS, but real in 900 mhz SMR.
- Only difference between regional NPCS and 900 mhz SMR was ability to use credits on all licenses (900 mhz SMR credit was actually less than regional NPCS 10% vs. 40%.)
- Applying small business preferences to all licenses will increase small business participation and increase net revenues to the F.C.C.



PCSD Requests Clarification that the Anticipated Narrowband D.E. Rules will Apply to All Narrowband Licensees

- Race and gender preferences were of no value. (AT&T paid \$80 million. PCSD paid \$90 million.)
- PCSD has met all D.E. rules including control group and small business status.
- Race and gender based D.E. status harms PCSD's ability to raise capital.
 - Increase regulatory risk factor.
 - Bond market required more equity.
 - Minority equity sources are not sufficient.
- Given "Post Adarand" rules, and assuming no transfer of control of PCSD licenses, PCSD requests clarification that new Narrowband rules apply to all Narrowband licensees.

